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In re Patent Application of

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For: PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM

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Confirmation No.: 5887

## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 19, 2003, kindly amend the abovecaptioned application as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS**:

Kindly amend claims 9, 10, 15 and 16 and add new claims 17-21 as follows:

- 9. (Twice Amended) The perpendicular magnetic recording medium of claim 1, wherein the perpendicular magnetic recording medium has a double-layer structure including a soft magnetic layer between the substrate and the perpendicular orientation promoting underlayer.
- 10. (Twice Amended) The perpendicular magnetic recording medium of claim 1, wherein the perpendicular magnetic recording medium has a double-layer structure with a 06/17/2003 HNUHAMNI 00000036 10032103

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| E       | Enclosed is an Amendment for the above-identified patent application.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| [       | ] A Petition for Extension of Time is also  | A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| [       | A Terminal Disclaimer and the [ ] \$55.0 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.  | A Terminal Disclaimer and the [ ] \$55.00 (2814) [ ] \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.                                      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| [       | ] Also enclosed is/are  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| [       | ] Small entity status is hereby claimed.  | Small entity status is hereby claimed.   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| [       | Applicant(s) requests continued examina [ ] \$375.00 (2801) [ ] \$750.00 (1801) for   | Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [ ] \$375.00 (2801) [ ] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|         | [ ] Applicant(s) previously submitted requested.  | , on, for which continued examination is   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ]       | Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| [       | A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| [       | ] No additional claim fee is required.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C       | An additional claim fee is required, and  | is calculated as shown below:  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Independent Claims        | 2 .              | MINUS 3 =  | 0            | × \$84.00 (1201) = | 0.00                       |
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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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